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In re Application of: JAMES P. BECKHAM) Confirmation No: 4367
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

The Final Office Action mailed July 17, 2006 has been reviewed and the comments of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office have been considered. Please amend the application and reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for extension of time accompanies this response.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this Application and the prompt allowance of at least claims 1-33.

Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution of the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-3840. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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